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SUBJECT: NAC AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 30

I. STATEMENT ON POLITICAL SUBJECTS: NO GUIDANCE REQUIRED.

II. THE SITUATION IN AFRICA SOUTH OF THE SAHARA: NO FURTHER GUIDANCE.

III. THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND MAGHREB. NO FURTHER GUIDANCE.

IV. STRENGTHENING LINKS BETWEEN THE NAA AND NATO: WE AGREE THAT YOU SHOULD SPEAK IN FAVOR OF CLOSER NATO TIES WITH THE NAA AND OTHER GROUPS OF ALLIED PARLIAMENTARIANS AT OCTOBER 29 PERMREPS LUNCH AND AT NAC. YOU SHOULD ALSO INDICATE THAT WE ENDORSE GENERAL OUTLINES PROPOSED BY SYG LUNS FOR HIS SPEECH TO NAA PARLIAMENTARIANS IN WHICH HE GIVES GENERAL SUPPORT TO PROPOSALS PROMOTING

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MORE FRUITFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN NAA AND NATO WHILE

RESISTING MEASURES WHICH WOULD INSTITUTIONALIZE SUCH LINKS BETWEEN THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS. WE BELIEVE IDEA OF FOREIGN MINISTER WHO SERVING AS NAC PRESIDENT ADDRESSING NAA PLENARY WILL BE WORTH EXPLORING AND THAT IF IT PROVED FEASIBLE THERE MIGHT ALSO BE INFORMAL PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH, IN INFORMAL SESSION, HE COULD

ANSWER PARLIAMENTARIANS' QUESTIONS WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT HE WOULD BE SPEAKING IN HIS NATIONAL CAPACITY AND NOT FOR THE ALLIES. WE JOIN DESHORMES IN FAVORING A PRAGMATIC AND GRADUAL APPROACH. THUS, OUR INITIAL REACTIONS TO MISSION SUGGESTIONS ARE: A) WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ALLIED VIEWS ON COUNCIL'S COMMISSIONING THE SPC OR POLADS TO STUDY WAYS OF IMPLEMENTING GOALS SET FORTH IN PARA 13 OF OTTAWA DECLARATION; B) WE ENDORSE IDEA OF SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO NAA, OR TO PARLIAMENTARIANS GENERALLY, IN DECEMBER NATO MIN COMMUNIQUE, AND WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN HEARING ALLIES' VIEWS ON THIS -- WE ASSUME FRENCH WOULD RESIST THE PROPOSAL, BUT WE THINK IT USEFUL TO RAISE IT IN ORDER TO TEST THEIR REACTION; REGARDING C) AND D), YOU SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT ADVANCE PROPOSALS AT THIS TIME FOR MEETINGS OF NAA STEERING COMMITTEE TO COINCIDE WITH MINISTERIALS OR FOR INCLUSION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS IN MINISTERIAL DELEGATIONS. WE HAVE THESE SUGGESTIONS UNDER STUDY AND WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

V. ESTIMATE OF SOVIET BOP IN CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES.
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